

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

## RAILROADS AND THE FREIGHT DEMURRAGE SUBJECT.

Judge Gager, Mr. Cowles of Farmington, Mr. Pardee of this city, Hon. H. C. Robinson, Mr. Goodwin and Others Heard—Judge Elmer and His Probable Successor as Judiciary Committee Chairman—Marriage Ceremony Legality in Certain Cases—Other Matters.

Hartford, March 15.—There was a hearing before the committee on railroads this afternoon, and James L. Cowles of Farmington introduced a substitute bill concerning demurrage on freight. It provides that the time for holding cars shall be only twenty-four hours instead of a week, and provides a penalty.

Judge Gager of Derby appearing for the street railway interests spoke in behalf of the bill changing the time for making annual returns of street railways; also on bill concerning publications of returns of such roads and another bill concerning what these returns shall be. He offered a substitute for these bills, embodying all the matters in one bill. It provides that returns for the fiscal year ending September 30 of any year shall be made on or before November 15 and it shall apply in method the same as for steam roads under the inter-state commerce act. He added that he did not wish to be heard on the measure until he could consult with the railroad commissioners, so as to see that the bill would be acceptable.

James L. Cowles of Farmington favored having the fiscal year end with the year of the steam roads, June 30.

Mr. Gager objected. He said he did not want the bill chopped up. It was not fair to the steam roads, for they wished just what was embodied in the bill. The fiscal year having been defined by law, it should not be changed.

E. L. Goodwin of East Hartford speaking in behalf of the substitute bill providing that the returns should be made uniform with the fiscal year of the steam roads.

Mr. Cowles spoke again in approval of the bill.

There are now three substitute bills pending on this one matter of railroad returns.

Mr. Cowles said that it was desirable to know just where the stock of these electric roads is owned. He wanted to know who the widows and orphans were. Such a list should be lodged with the railroad commissioners.

W. B. Pardee of New Haven, who drew the bill concerning the publication of returns, said he was willing that his bill should be set aside if the details were embodied in the substitute bill of Judge Gager.

Hon. Henry C. Robinson, representing the Consolidated road, came to the capital to be heard on the demurrage bill, but the hearing having been deferred, he had nothing to say on any of the other bills.

Mr. Goodwin wanted to be heard on several bills. They are out of the hands of the committee, the hearings having been held. House Chairman Smith explained the situation to Mr. Goodwin, but said he was willing to hear what he had to say.

Mr. Goodwin then spoke on the bill concerning guard rails. He said there was already a provision that such rails shall be laid on steam roads and they should be provided on ungraded and dangerous places on street railways. In East Hartford the electric cars had been thrown from the tracks three times the past year and in one case a car went down a steep embankment and it required one day to replace it.

He also spoke in favor of the bill carrying a penalty for street roads obstructing sidewalks when snow is swept from the tracks by the electric sweepers.

Mr. Goodwin called attention to the act providing for the making of any change of grade of street railway. He said the spirit of the law had been violated in East Hartford, where the railroad tracks were changed, thus damaging his sidewalks. There should be a penalty provided where a street railroad grade was changed without the consent of the selectmen. The law needed amending, and all the authority in the matter should rest with the selectmen.

## A BRIDGEPORT BONDING BILL.

The committee on finance considered the petition of Judge Beers of Bridgeport for the issue of \$250,000 in bonds for permanent improvements in that city. The measure is evidently not very popular, as Judge Beers was the only one in favor of the bill and several spoke in opposition. There is a desire to issue \$70,000 in bonds for school buildings and a substitute will probably be introduced.

## HOUSE.

Only the house of representatives was in session to-day and all through the morning hour business was carried on without a quorum. Judge Elmer of Middletown presided. It is generally believed that the nomination of Judge Elmer to be superior court judge will be sent in early next week and that he will soon resign his seat in the house. This is regretted by members because he is very popular among the members, yet at the same time they will be pleased to see him promoted. It is generally believed that Representative Judson will succeed Judge Elmer as chairman of the judiciary committee.

Favorable reports were received from the judiciary committee as follows: Substitutes on writs of error in summary process, substitute concerning selectmen, substitute that selectmen must be sworn, substitute bill validating deeds of acknowledgment, substitute on bill concerning the funeral expenses of married women, substitute on bill amending section 1426.

Representative Tucker of Ansonia offered a resolution appointing Samuel J. Bryant judge and Elbert E. Pardee deputy judge of the town court in Orange, referred to committee on judicial nominations.

Business on the calendar: Bills passed—Increasing the number of deputy sheriffs in Windham county from eight to ten; resolution amending the charter of the Branford Horse Railroad company and changing name to the Meriden Electric Railroad company; incorporating the Branford Electric company; substitute bill concerning proceedings to change the names of corporations; bill providing for printing an additional number of reports of the board of education of the state.

When the bill for printing the educa-

tional reports was being considered Representative Gunn called attention to the printing establishment in operation at the Connecticut School for Boys at Meriden. It had been suggested that it would be well to have one or two state reports printed there.

Mr. Whitten of Manchester said the committee on humane institutions was considering such a measure.

The bill amending chapter 153 of the acts of 1893 was passed.

The bill appropriating \$1,000 for the use of the selectmen in ferreting out crime was taken up. The judiciary committee offered a substitute making the appropriation \$500. The substitute bill was passed.

The bill concerning the admission and registration of electors in the town of Ansonia was taken up. The present act adopted two years ago is defective, and the amendments proposed meet with favor. The principal amendment is the change of the word "annual" to "biennial." Passed.

The bill amending the charter of the Southport Water company was passed. The bill providing that in the case of the sickness or absence of any member of the board of pardons the governor may appoint temporarily, when a meeting is desired, was passed.

The bill concerning the distribution of printed reports was passed. It provides for the binding of all the state reports in two volumes, for distribution. Representative Gunn said it was a very valuable measure. Since the last session he had been compelled to make several visits to the capital to consult reports. The proposed distribution would prove of great value to the people of the state.

A bill was passed validating certain acts and proceedings—house bill No. 159.

House bill 170, concerning fees in cases of commitment to the Connecticut school for boys, temporary homes and the Connecticut school for girls was passed. It allows an officer in commitments the fee of a grand juror.

The bill concerning officers' fees for serving criminal process, providing a fee for holding a prisoner twelve hours, in addition to the present fees was passed.

The bill increasing the number of deputy sheriffs in Litchfield county from twelve to eighteen was passed.

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Mr. Gunn explained the bill concerning marriage. He said that in the case of minor females arriving in this country from foreign lands that in the absence of parents or guardians selectmen in certain cases may perform the marriage ceremony without obtaining consent of parents or guardians. The bill was tabled.

Bill amending section 3,893 of the general statutes, substituting the word "newspaper" in the place of "a daily newspaper" was passed.

The house adjourned to next Tuesday at 12:30 p. m.

## HERE AND THERE.

Upon Mr. Bowen of Windham fell the duty of explaining nearly all the judicial bills reported in the house to-day. The work fell upon him unexpectedly, as he believed some of the other members of the committee would discharge the onerous task, but he was quite at home and explained the bills efficiently and clearly. He made one exception, however, delegating to Mr. Gunn of Milford another member of the committee, the task of explaining the bill "concerning marriage." He said that Mr. Gunn, as chairman of the committee on woman suffrage, was better qualified to speak on such matters. Mr. Gunn complied and, as always in anything he undertakes, succeeded admirably.

Senator Coffey, of the committee on railroads, says that his committee is trying to expedite the hearings as rapidly as possible, although a number of matters had necessarily been assigned considerably ahead for the convenience of parties in interest. He added that while there were only a few matters pending concerning the steam roads there were many bills relating to electric roads which would take up considerable time. Senator Coffey will undoubtedly keep his word and hurry up matters with the same promptness he brings to the consideration of all legislative matters.

## Mrs. Canfield's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Canfield took place yesterday morning from the residence of Thomas J. Reynolds, 271 Cedar street. There was a requiem high mass at Sacred Heart church at 10 o'clock celebrated by the Rev. Father Early. The pallbearers were the following named: Henry Hoffman, Francis Bohan, John Sullivan and Francis Wood. Interment was in St. Lawrence cemetery.

## Received With Ceremony.

Nice, March 15.—Queen Victoria arrived here to-day and was received with a great display of ceremony by the mayor and the other municipal authorities of the town. She entered a carriage and with a military escort was driven to Cimiez. Her majesty has borne her journey well. She showed no sign of fatigue.

## Did It Through Mischief.

Boston, March 15.—James A. Doherty, aged seventeen, is in the custody of Fire Marshal Whitcomb, charged with setting the fire that was discovered in the waste basket of St. Peter's church, Dorchester, on the evening of March 6, and is said to have confessed. The prisoner was animated purely by a spirit of mischief and a desire to experience the excitement of the arrival and work of the fire engines. The other two church fires, the marshal reports, arose from accidental causes.

## Death Followed Fast.

Nashua, N. H., March 15.—Mrs. Daisy Cobb of Palmer, Mass., died here this morning. Her baby, born on Sunday, died yesterday. Her brother, Julius Hill of Palmer, who lay with her, is dying of pneumonia, and her year-and-a-half-old child is sick. They came here a week ago.

## A Clever Counterfeit.

A dangerous and clever counterfeit in the shape of a silver dollar is in circulation. The new piece is a close representation of the genuine, the points of difference being very slight. It has a little whiter look, is a trifle thicker and a little short of weight, but would easily pass without close scrutiny.

## A LARGE FUNERAL.

## The Funeral of Mrs. Caputo Yesterday.

One of the largest attended funerals that has ever taken place among Italian residents, (although many other nationalities and all classes were among the mourners) was that of Mrs. Theresa, wife of Joseph Caputo of 271 Blatchley avenue, which took place yesterday morning at St. Michael's church, where also friends from New York and New Jersey attended.

At the mass of requiem Father Reccherini was celebrant, Father Rinaldino deacon, Father Alusti, sub-deacon, and Father Sorilla master of ceremonies. J. Santella sang the solo. A. Maresca was funeral director.

The bearers were L. Capocciolo, D. Merli, John Castagnetti, Silvestro Frenescone, and the flower bearers were Antonia Russo and Joseph Castagnetti. There were many beautiful floral tributes from friends, among them a handsome design from Dr. B. Austin Cheney. At the conclusion of the service Father Alusti spoke very feelingly of Mrs. Caputo, a native of Genoa, Italy, and for over twenty years a resident of this city. Within a few years she had lost her five children, and much sympathy was extended to her husband, who in so short a time had lost both wife and children. Father Alusti paid a high tribute to her Christian character, and her patience during her long illness.

She was an indefatigable worker in the church, one of those to whom the church was indebted for its existence; charitable to the poor, and an educated lady and an edifying Catholic. Father Alusti spoke words full of sympathy for those who had assembled to pay their last tribute of respect to one so worthy of it.

The interment was in St. Bernard's cemetery.

## A GREAT SALE.

Of Clothing Which Opens To-day.

A chance in a lifetime is offered to those thinking of buying clothing at the trustee sale of the balance of the stock of the late firm of T. A. Wyre & Co. The sale lasts for one week and commences to-day. It is announced that every garment must be disposed of, and will be sold at positively half price, which means at less than cost to manufacture. It will be a great slaughter sale of fine clothing. The store will not be opened before this morning. Go early and secure first choice. The place is at No. 73 Center street, corner Center street.

## To Be Married To-morrow.

Mr. Henry Sachnin and Miss Annie Smernoff will be married at the Temple street synagogue to-morrow. In the afternoon a reception will be held at Olympia hall, 349 State street. The groomsmen will be David Sachnin, A. Smernoff, Sam Smernoff, Charles H. Feinstein. The bridesmaids will be Miss Ida Bernman, Miss Ida Smernoff, Miss Mamie Smernoff, and Miss Hattie Smernoff.

At the time there was a good deal of blowing of trumpets of revenue reform. The storm of righteous indignation is passing. It was a simple matter to borrow enough from grasping foreigners and other shysters to tide us over the immediate difficulties. But the poison is left in our system. The five hundred millions of unpaid bills are still there, and will breed financial trouble

as long as they are there, as surely as we shall have an Indian question, a liquor question, and a tariff question as long as we have farmers, liquor and tariff. If we in this country have finally reached the point where we have conscientious scruples about stealing capital, and if we object to borrowing it there is only one other way open to us. We must create capital; we must make it by the sweat of our brow. But from this we have always shrunk. It is so much easier to avowedly legislate a factory or a railroad or a steamship company into healthy existence than to let the growth and prosperity of those industries depend upon the self-reliant ingenuity and business capacity of those who ask no favors of the law which can only be granted at someone else's expense.

Every advance in the industrial arts is a step toward lightening and hastening the task before us of creating wealth. But no improvement in the arts can eliminate that task. We work to live and live to work. In the last analysis our material progress depends on our material resources and on the persistence and ingenuity we display in appropriating them. This, I take it, is the lesson taught by the economic history of the United States.

## ECONOMIC AMERICANISMS.

## A Lecture by Prof. J. C. Schwab in the Yale Mechanics' Course.

The lecture by Prof. J. C. Schwab at North Sheffield hall last evening was remarkably well attended. This was the eighth lecture in the Mechanics' course. The subject was "Economic Americanisms."

Prof. Schwab as a lecturer has a splendid delivery. His subject was also rendered interesting by the way in which he handled it, and the attention of his audience was quickly gained and was held from the start to finish. He said in part:

Those who teach political economy deal with a disagreeable, dismal science. Like the other dismal science, arithmetic, political economy tells you that if you have only \$4 in your pocket and have a longing for \$5 that you must go without it or be satisfied with a less fashionable hat.

American history represents an endless and somewhat monotonous succession of attempts to find a third horn to this dilemma, a prolonged effort to evade and obscure and ridicule and outlaw the similar disagreeable truth that you cannot, by a petition or a popular vote or a set of resolutions or a legal enactment or a reform movement make something out of nothing.

Webster's dictionary defines a "dollar" as a silver coin of the United States containing 37.25 grains of silver; or as a "gold coin, containing 23.22 grains of gold." Our laws improved on this simple and common sense definition a generation ago by adding "a dollar is also a piece of green paper with a picture of Washington and the landing of Columbus and the words One Dollar prominently displayed on it."

If we Americans have had to rely from the earliest times down so largely on borrowed capital with which to build our roads, bridges, canals and what not one might suppose we would have done everything in our power to attract lenders that like sensible traders we would have advertised our need, made the approach to us as easy one, removed every difficulty, which stood between us and our lenders and given them every assurance by our actions and words of our honest intention to repay the loan. Nothing has been further from our mind.

If you must have or will borrow you must look forward to paying interest and eventually repaying the loan. With \$500,000,000 of demand liabilities, i. e., unpaid bills, most of them thirty years old, presentable at any moment, the United States government had on hand in its bill about \$40,000,000 with which to meet those bills. At the time there was a good deal of blowing of trumpets of revenue reform. The storm of righteous indignation is passing. It was a simple matter to borrow enough from grasping foreigners and other shysters to tide us over the immediate difficulties. But the poison is left in our system. The five hundred millions of unpaid bills are still there, and will breed financial trouble

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